

# Banks on Strong Backfield for Victory—Georgetown Leads in Score

## Navy Eleven Hopes To Maintain Attack Against West Point

Middles Rely on Hard-Running Backfield to Bring Triumph at Polo Grounds.

### OLIPHANT OUTSHINES ALL

#### Soldiers Refuse Suggestion From Annapolis to Number Varsity Players.

By H. R. RILEY.

ANAPOLIS, Nov. 20.—With a long string of powerful, hardrunning backs, the Navy Academy is basing its strongest hopes of winning from the Military Academy next Saturday of maintaining a sustained attack at a terrific pace from the beginning of the game to the end. It is true that some special plays are being worked upon daily, and that some recourse will be had to the forward pass, but the great strength of the Navy team this season, undoubtedly, lies in the fact that it has at its disposal more good backs than at any time in its recent history.

Admitting that Oliphant is a stronger back than any man at Annapolis, the Navy people think that the average strength of their backfield is greater, and that in the larger number of first class men they have the assurance that they can keep the pace up in spite of possible accidents or loss of form on the part of some of the players.

The Naval Academy has a line of average ability, but no really great players inside of the ends. Every man will be in the game bothering his opponent as far as he can, but there is little doubt that the Army line, containing many players who are recognized as in the front rank, will have the edge in the matter of strength and experience. The Army line has the distinct advantage. This in itself is a tremendous advantage to overcome, but it is the brilliancy of Oliphant in the backfield, and considerable additional strength behind the line.

#### Has Possibilities.

Competent judges, as well as casual observers, would be inclined to say that the Navy had a very small chance of a victory this season, but the possibilities of the Annapolis team must not be overlooked in view of its accomplishments this season. Its game against the University of Pittsburgh in the middle of the season, when the Pennsylvanians won by 20 to 19, was undoubtedly its greatest performance. Midshipmen played a wonderful game, and the Navy should be rated higher than the Army.

The Navy has put up a strong contest in every game played this year except against Washington and Lee, three weeks ago. It was the Navy's off day of the season, but it was won from the North Carolina Aggies by 50 to 0, and Villa Nova by 57 to 7. It is its slump appears to be only temporary, and the Navy is being down to bring the team to its greatest strength next Saturday, the day of the game.

#### Fishes Winning Out.

There is a peculiar situation at the Naval Academy. Thomas Ingram assumed the responsibilities of head coach at the beginning of last season. His material was very raw, but during the season he developed some fine players, and it was thought that these men would become very valuable this year. A few were lost by failing to remain in the institution, but most of these are available at present.

Oddly enough, however, most of them, including nearly all the backfield men, have been displaced by youths from the entering class considered by the coach to be more valuable men than those with whom they had worked last season.

Among the players who were expected to do brilliant things this year were Orr, quarter; Martin, Davis, Westphal and Von Heintzberg, backs. All of these are first choice backs, one is playing as a first choice back, Roberts, from Colgate, and Butler, a Philadelphia high school lad, have played in nearly every game behind the line. Wheelock has taken Orr's place at quarter, while Perry is winning a place as a fullback, and is being put as well as to do his best.

Finally, the third brother to represent the Navy on the football field, is showing wonderful ability in running with the ball, as in other departments of the game. The Navy's backfield is undoubtedly the best in the country, and it is being put as well as to do his best.

#### Balks at Numbers.

Efforts of the Naval Academy to let the authorities to have the players numbered during the service contest at the Polo Grounds, in New York, next Saturday have been frustrated by the Army's refusal to agree. Two years ago both branches of the service declined to adopt the suggestion, but this time in charge at Annapolis are convinced that the spectators should be accommodated by the numbering of players, and took the matter up with the West Point representatives. They have received a reply from Lieutenant Daly, head coach at West Point and former Harvard player, finally declining to number the players.

It is thought that the Army is taking the stand announced by Harvard in the matter. Lieut. C. E. Smith, athletic director at the West Point, and Lieut. Jones Ingram, head coach of the team, both favor the numbering of players.

WEST POINT, N. Y., Nov. 20.—The Army eleven now enters the final stage of preparation for the battle with the Navy at the Polo Grounds in New York next Saturday. The men came through the contest of Saturday in good physical condition, but there is some apprehension as to whether Butler will get back for the Navy game. The Army's giant tackle is improving slowly, however, and every effort is being made to get him in shape to play.

While the odds have been coming through with victories in their last few games, the form displayed has been unsatisfactory to the coaches. Poor tackling, loose handling of the ball, especially on punts, and the ragged and uneven playing of the linemen are some of the things that will get special attention this week before the team leaves for New York.

## Cancellation Should Vanish From Football

### Smaller Elevens Injure Big Ones by Their Haphazard Refusals to Play Scheduled Games—Today's Sportorial Hits Some Present Evils.

By LOUIS A. DOUGHER.

The time is ripe to discuss the great evil of cancellation by football authorities in this section. Baltimore is earnestly interested in this matter, and so is Washington.

Because of a cancellation of a football game with Georgetown last September, Randolph-Macon contributed its share to the Middle's victory over the Hilltoppers. It is generally admitted by those who saw the game that had Georgetown played even so weak an opponent as Randolph-Macon before going to Annapolis, the Blue and Gray would not have been defeated against its fair record for 1916.

Hampton-Sidney accepted a football date from Georgetown, but failed to fill out the necessary contract, and allowed one Hatchcock to go without a game for next Saturday.

Eastern College, of Manassas, Va., canceled its scheduled game with Catholic University.

Just when Fordham expected to reap great benefit from its game with Penn Military College before tackling the heavier Georgetown team, the soldiers canceled the contest, waiting until night before the scheduled meeting.

#### Need Draconic Punishment.

There is but one punishment that should be meted out to those teams which fail to fulfill their promises. THEY SHOULD BE WIPED OUT OF ALL CONSIDERATION FOR ALL FUTURE DATES. Only such a drastic punishment can stop the evil practice which may frequently ruin a whole campaign for a season.

Randolph-Macon, for instance, should never again be offered a game by the Georgetown football authorities.

Georgetown should eliminate Hampton-Sidney in 1917. Catholic University should forget that Eastern College exists.

#### Thompson in Field.

Over in Baltimore Mike Thompson, former graduate manager at Georgetown, now coaching Baltimore City College, is loud in protest against similar practices among the smaller Maryland colleges. According to Mike, some of these colleges think it is impossible for football to flourish in the middle of the season, and then calling it off a day or so before the date comes along.

"It is impossible for football to flourish in the middle of the season," Mike says. "If the teams of this section don't unite in stopping this practice, the football season will be ruined."

Mike's campaign is being successfully planned these days. Managers and coaches unite on arranging a schedule meant to bring a team against its championship rival. When a cog slips, however, the team's future is endangered just so much.

#### Schools Also Injured.

The school elevens of the District suffer equally with the colleges from this evil of cancellation, though conditions are slightly different. Hardly a year goes by but what it experiences the calling off of games for muddy fields or rain or similar excuses. The result is that the schools are left with a team that is not in shape to play, and the season is ruined.

Among the Washington schools another evil practice is the postponing of games. When a team is scheduled to play, and the weather is not good, the game is postponed, and the team is left with a team that is not in shape to play, and the season is ruined.

It is bad enough to cancel games, but the adoption of a system that frequently cancels games is even worse. In a way, this system even worse.

#### TAD JONES BELIEVES ELI WILL BE WINNER

Smith, Out of Princeton Game, to Face Harvard.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Nov. 20.—"I have no fears for the coming contest in the bowl," announced Coach Tad Jones today on arriving from Atlantic City.

Harry Rogers remained behind. He is a bit stale and Trainer Mack thinks a few more days beside the ocean will bring him around to play his best against Harvard.

But one change next Saturday. Travers Smith will be found at quarterback, replacing "Chet" LaRoche, whose eleventh-hour work against Princeton was good. Smith is recovering from an attack of tonsillitis.

Emil Jacques has a bruised cheek and Callahan turned an ankle, but those are the only injuries received by any of the Bulldogs in their triumph over the Tiger.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Nov. 20.—Today's Harvard victory over the Yale team in the game for the Yale Cup and Coach Haughton is confident of victory Saturday at New Haven. Murray Sweetser, the only first string player to face Brown, escaped without injury, and it will take but a short time to get the eleven into shape.

Yesterday Haughton and the coaches conferred on ways and means to win from the Tigers. The plan showed all they had to defeat the Tigers, and the Harvard coaches were quick to note their own, Fielding H. Jr., accompanied him.

#### Yost Done for Year.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Nov. 20.—"Hurry Up" Yost having steered his Michigan eleven through another season, is on his way home here today to resume his law practice. Mrs. Yost and their son, Fielding H. Jr., accompanied him.

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## GEORGETOWN LEADS RIVALS IN SCORING

### Blue and Gray Ahead of W. and L. and Virginia for Sectional Honors.

By LOUIS A. DOUGHER.

Georgetown has a comfortable lead over its nearest rival for the scoring honors of the South Atlantic section. The Hilltoppers have scored 287 points against 26 for opponents.

Washington and Lee has run up 211 points against 50 for opponents, while Virginia has scored 108 against 168 for opponents.

Following are the records of the three teams:

GEORGETOWN.	
Blue	287
Gray	26
Washington and Lee	211
Virginia	108
Against	168
W. & L.	
Blue	211
Gray	50
VIRGINIA.	
Blue	108
Gray	168

#### Headed For Bucknell.

Georgetown is now headed for Bucknell, which comes here Saturday.

The Hilltoppers will endeavor to run up a higher score against the Lewisburg collegians than did "Jogger" Elcock's Generals, who won by a score of 55 to 7. Bucknell is pretty well battered by its battles with Penn State, Cornell, Princeton, and Washington and Lee, and will hardly be in condition to stage off the scoring machine of the Blue and Gray.

Coach Ewing will this week endeavor to put some life into his forwards. McCarthy alone played his real game against the Aggies, though Showalter at times proved himself of varying caliber. Anderson, Secord, and unable to do his best, while the hook worm seemed to have found lodging in the back of his head. The right side of the Georgetown line was unusually weak all afternoon.

Wall and Gilroy looked good in the backfield, but the others were off against the Aggies. As a whole, though winning by a wide margin, Georgetown seemed stale.

#### C. U. Has Hard Game.

Catholic University will need all its regulars Saturday for its hard contest against West Virginia. The Morgantown team played Dartmouth to a 7-0 tie Saturday and ought to carry the odds against the Brooklanders.

Maryland State has nothing to do now save to sit tight for the Turkey Day championship clash with Johns Hopkins at Baltimore. Saturday's victory over New York was rather unexpected, but none the less welcome. Brookland State should win from the Baltimoreans.

George Washington has no game this week, either, and will spend all the week in the city, where the Georgetown game on Thanksgiving Day.

#### Johnny White Obtains Madison Square Garden

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—In the struggle to obtain Madison Square Garden, Johnny White, famous referee and promoter of vaudeville affairs, has won out, and will open the new club Thanksgiving night. Charlie Weinert is expected to be matched with some opponent yet to be named.

White is a former alderman. He refereed many famous bouts, the Chynoweth-Waltz bout at the old Madison Square Garden, and he is one of them. He will act as president, manager, referee, and promoter of the Madison Square Show Company.

Billy Long, who is associated with White in the ownership of several vaudeville and moving picture theaters, is the secretary of the organization, and Tom Davis, former secretary of the New York American Legion Club when Frank Farrell was owner, will act as treasurer. Davis, it will be remembered, acted in the same capacity for the F. & D. Company several years ago.

White's last venture in the boxing game was as manager of the famous "Brawl" between White and the "Twenty-fourth street" scene of many historic fist battles during the period of the death of the Horton and the birth of the present Frayley law.

It is understood that powerful interests behind White, in obtaining the lease of the Garden, outbid and outgeneraled about a dozen big fight promoters, including ex World and McCracken, who, it was thought, would obtain the Garden boxing privilege.

#### Vigilant Footballers Practice This Evening

Joe Oliver's Vigilant football team will meet at Tenth and C streets northwest, this evening at 7 o'clock to hold its first practice for the game with the Patricians at Youngtown, Pa., next Saturday. The team will work out every day this week.

At Youngtown last year the Patricians defeated the locals in a hard fought contest, 13 to 7. It is believed that the battle between the professional teams also will be close.

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## CENTRAL'S AHEAD IN SCORING FOR SERIES

### Dark Blues' Total Larger Than Any Other, While Defense Has Staved Off Points.

By BRYAN MORSE.

Central and Eastern are meeting tomorrow in the ninth game of the present high school championship battle at American League Park, and unless the dark blues win, the Central eleven will not only be returned a winner by a good margin, but will land the title.

Coach Mettler's lads lead the five schools in scoring in the games played to date. There are those who consider the Business eleven on a par with Central at present, but figures show the Dark Blue team to be better on both offense and defense than the other schools.

Central has scored forty points in three games. Western, Business and Technical have gained twelve points against the Central team in the three games. Business with three games played has amassed twenty-six points to fifteen for the opposition.

The Tech has played four games. The Business eleven has scored nineteen points while the opposition has been able to make thirty-two. Western has scored twenty-eight points against seven points to twenty-six for the opponents. Eastern has six points to its credit against twenty-six for opponents.

#### Goal Kickers Poor.

In the eight games to date the goal kickers have been way off. In six touchdowns scored Central has been successful four out of six times on goals after scores. Business has blown two of its four chances. Western all of its three chances and Eastern its only chance where a goal kicked would have meant a tie score.

This has been the first season for some time that no goals from placement or dropkicks have been registered. The many punters have been equaling the efforts of Buck Wise, of Business, who seems to be the only consistent kicker in the schools.

Fumbling has been an outstanding feature of the play this year. It is thought that there have been more fumbles this year than in any season passed. The memory of at least ten campaigns fails to record so much loose handling of the ball.

#### Business Improves.

After the Central game Coach Paul White, of Business, remarked that his team would show vast improvement before the end of the year. There are those who are of the opinion that Business is better than Central right now.

Coach White, who is a former Central player, has been a winner between rounds. Referee was so crooked that he'd make a "W" look like an "I" in comparison. I am willing to match my champion against the English my provided we can pick our own referee.

THE REFEREE.—That fight was so bad that I wouldn't have given it to my worst enemy. The best man couldn't referee because he wasn't there. The boys didn't follow the referee's lead. If those boys are fighters, let them fight. Let them show their stuff. Let them make the quarantine laws stricter in this State.

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#### Light Teams Scrap.

Eastern and Western, the lightest elevens in the series, produced plenty of scrap all through the games. Neither team gave in until the final whistle called a halt on proceedings. Both elevens served as thorns in the sides of the heavier teams they opposed.

In playing Central tomorrow Eastern will put up a fight from start to finish. The Capitol Hill lads will be greatly outwitted, and will be more likely to injure on accident than to win the game. They have been up against heavy teams all year.

Western is calculating to put up another stiff argument against Business on Friday. The Red and White will be outweighed fifteen or more pounds to the man, but can be expected to make Business go the full route for a win.

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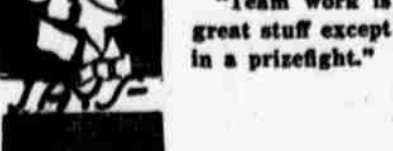
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## MINCE PIE

### "LITTLE OF EVERYTHING," By "BUGS" BAER.



Next to ordering a "chocolate soda" with only one straw, golf is the most selfish game we know of. Two golfers will growl around an eighteen-hole course like a set of burglars. If anybody detects 'em they get as sore as an ingrown hair. They talk in hieroglyphics and wriggle their ears in a secret code. They are more mysterious than hash. They both act as if they suspected the other guy was going to turn state's evidence. If anybody tries to watch them they act as clabby as a puma with the dyspepsia. In golf a spectator is as welcome as a safety razor at a barber's convention.

RABBIT RUDOLPH

Public never howls for team work at a wrestling match.

Only thing about the old time prizefights that was framed were the pictures of 'em.

Well, Carlisle never loses a good player by graduation.

Trouble is that modern fighters want to do a little retail fighting for wholesale purses.

#### THE INQUEST.

MANAGER GOOF.—My man won in all but a half dozen of the six rounds. The other bird never hit him more than once at a time. The referee was as crooked as a dog's hind leg. I voted for Wilson. But I was to say that decision was a discredit to the Democratic Administration. If that fight was a draw then Jack Johnson is a blonde.

MANAGER RUFF.—Referee slipped up the old raspberry. My battler had the other guy in his pocket for six rounds. Only way he could get a glove to my boy was through the mail. My lad parried every lead with his nose and looked like a winner between rounds. Referee was so crooked that he'd make a "W" look like an "I" in comparison. I am willing to match my champion against the English my provided we can pick our own referee.

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## ROYALS MEET WITH STIFF OPPOSITION

### Not So Far Advanced This Season as in Others, Fighting to Get Ahead.

By R. D. THOMAS.

It seems that the day has come when the Royal team, of the National Capital and District League, which has stood supreme above all other quintets in the city for several seasons, is to battle against and possibly give way to worthy rivals.

Generally it has been the rule at this stage of the season for the Royal five to be out in front with a comfortable margin. This season, however, Harry B. Halley and his equally well-known teammates are having their hands full keeping around the top in the two big leagues.

In the District League especially are they having a tough struggle, with the Grand Centrals and Continentals furnishing the competition. The last averages compiled by the veteran statistician of the circuit, Horace Elmer, show the Grand Centrals leading by eighteen games won and six lost to the Royals and Continentals' seventeen and seven.

#### Have Third Best Records.

In the matter of records, both Grand Centrals and Continentals have an advantage over the Royals. On total wins the Grand Centrals lead with 13,070, and the Continentals third with 13,067, and the Royals rank third in high game and set, the Continentals leading in this respect with 655 and 1,760. Grand Centrals, with 598 and 1,890 are second. The Royals' high marks are 596 and 1,684.

In the National Capital League the Royals are faring much better. In addition to leading the circuit with a good margin they hold nearly all the league records. The Royals have won 21 games and lost 3 against 17 and 7 for the Southeast Stars in second place, and with 623 for game and 1,716 for set, the Royals are far ahead of their rivals in the matter of records. It is an interesting fact that the Royals hold their best rolling in the National Capital.

#### Duval Northeast President.

Bernard E. Duval was chosen president of the Northeast League at a recent meeting. Other officers were chosen as follows: Jack Caswell, secretary; Martin J. McHugh, treasurer, and Edward Fredrick, official scorer. The league is made up of teams with their captains, are: American Ice Company, No. 1, Robert C. Flora; American Ice Company, No. 2, Jesse A. Brown; American Ice Company, No. 3, National Publishing Company; Frank Fradette, National Guard Recreation Club; Frank C. Reidy, and Indiana, Michael Pulek.

#### Gladiators Top League.

Out in Hyattsville the one league boasted of by that town is having some close competition. The Gladiators, who have been leading by winning three games from the Comets in the last match rolled.

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